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1. K. Isoyama et al., "A Proposal of Multi Priority Packet Switch Fabric", The Institute of Electronics, Information and Communication Engineers, Technical Report of IEICE, SSE-120, PS99-44, (December 1999), pp. 55-66 with English Abstract.

One copy of the listed document is submitted herewith.

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